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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of PCT/FR00/01686

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Appln. No.: Not Assigned

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For: AN AIRCRAFT FLYING AT HIGH ALTITUDE TO SERVE AS A RADIO RELAY,
AND A METHOD OF GETTING THE AIRCRAFT ONTO STATION

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

[Please enter the following amended claims:]

3. (Amended) An aircraft of the airplane or glider type according to claim 1,
characterized in that it includes at least one solar generator (5) cooled by convection with the
surrounding air at said high altitude.

4. (Amended) An aircraft of the airplane or glider type according to any claim 1,
characterized in that it includes at least one storage battery (7) having superconductive
components.